CHARLES J. SHEEHAN

REGION 6 REGIONAL COUNSEL

Chuck has served as Regional Counsel since August 2003. He manages the seventy-three person office responsible for handling administrative and judicial challenges to regional decisions on air, waste and water permits, for reviewing state programs and plans for legal sufficiency, and for civil and criminal enforcement, hazardous waste cleanups, and compliance with agency grants and procurement regulations.

He came to the Region in March 1999, as Deputy Regional Counsel for Enforcement, overseeing the legal arm of the Region's civil and criminal, administrative and judicial regulatory enforcement program. In April 2002, he became Acting Regional Counsel. In the six months prior to assuming this position, he was on detail from the Region to EPA Headquarters, in the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, Office of Site Remediation Enforcement, Regional Support Division, as Acting Deputy Director. There he managed national Superfund enforcement, in coordination with the Regions.

Prior to joining Region 6, he was an attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources Division. He litigated cases in the federal district and appellate courts, with EPA as the principal client, in all Regions, and under all major pollution and natural resources protection statutes. During his fifteen years at the Department of Justice, Chuck also served terms as an Assistant U.S. Attorney, bringing criminal prosecutions in the District of Columbia, and with the Legal Adviser's Office of the U.S. Department of State.

Between his Department of Justice service and Region 6, Chuck was the first General Counsel to the U.S.-Mexico Border Environment Cooperation Commission, located in Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico.

He received his B.A. from Boston College in 1976, and his J.D. from the Georgetown University Law Center in 1979.

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